



“Paws, Claws, Scales and Tales”

Children throughout the Kaiserslautern military community can paw and claw through a summer adventure starting June 26 at the U.S. Army Garrison Kaiserslautern libraries located in the Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, Miesau Army Depot and Kleber Kaserne. The Installation Management Agency-Europe is sponsoring the summer reading program this year, with the theme of “Paws, Claws, Scales and Tales.”

“We (IMA-E libraries) host this program to encourage children to read throughout the summer because it’s the best way to prepare for the coming school year.” “Teachers will know right off the bat who has read this summer and who hasn’t.” said Shawn Friend-Begin, the USAG Kaiserslautern supervisory librarian.

The Landstuhl library will have activities for toddlers to teens throughout the summer. The Miesau and Kleber libraries are hosting toddler and pre-school activities. To join, children and their parents just go to one of the three garrison Kaiserslautern libraries on or after June 26 to sign up. At this time, they will receive a summer reading program bag filled with a game board, bookmark and a pet newspaper containing articles and activities.

Last year, more than 670 children participated in the USAG Kaiserslautern summer reading program, and Friend-Begin hopes to surpass this number this year. She and her staff have already made 28 visits to the Landstuhl Elementary and Middle School telling children about the fun that can be had at the libraries this summer.

The program ends Aug. 11 with a wrap-up party from 10 a.m. to noon at the Landstuhl library.

For more information call the Landstuhl library at 486-7322 or 06371-86-7322, Miesau library at 481-3755 or 06372-842-3755 or the Kleber library at 483-1740 or 0631-411-1740.